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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 8047 DATE PREPARED: Jan 22, 2001

BILL NUMBER: SB 545

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Powerplant certification and siting.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: Pending

DEDICATED FEDERAL

Summary of Legislation: Defines "facility" to mean a powerplant that: (1) generates electricity for the wholesale or retail market; and (2) has a generating capacity of at least 25 megawatts. Prohibits a person from constructing a facility without first obtaining a siting certificate from the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC). Allows the IURC to order an independent study on the environmental impact of the proposed facility. Requires the applicant for a siting certificate to submit a fee of \$50,000 to be applied toward the cost of any environmental study ordered by the IURC. Allows local zoning and planning officials to petition the IURC for zoning jurisdiction over the siting of a proposed facility. Requires the IURC to hold a hearing on all applications for siting certificates. Specifies the conditions that an applicant must meet before the IURC may grant a siting certificate. Requires the holder of a siting certificate to obtain an amended siting certificate if the holder makes certain alterations to the facility or the operation of the facility. Requires a certificate holder to construct, operate, and maintain the facility in accordance with the certificate. Allows the IURC to monitor a facility for compliance.

Effective Date: Upon passage.

Explanation of State Expenditures: As of the above date, the fiscal analysis of this bill has not been completed. Please contact the Office of Fiscal and Management Analysis for an update of this fiscal impact statement.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

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Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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